



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

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| <b>Application No.:</b> | 10/069,116                                  | <b>Examiner:</b>     | ROSS, Dana |
| <b>Filing Date:</b>     | July 1, 2002                                | <b>Art Unit:</b>     | 3722       |
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| <b>Attorney No.:</b>    | SCHM3002/JJC                                | <b>Confirm. No.:</b> | 3327       |
| <b>For:</b>             | <b>SAFETY ELEMENT AND A VALUABLE OBJECT</b> |                      |            |

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**OF MAY 7, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office action dated May 7, 2007 in the above-application wherein the claims are finally rejected. A request for continued examination is filed concurrently herewith effectively removing the finality of the rejection of the claims.

**AMENDMENT**

**In the Claims**

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.